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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE
OF CORRECTION OF PATENT
FOR PTO MISTAKE (37 CFR §1.322(a))

Attention Certificate of Corrections Branch Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Patentee submitted a Supplemental Request for Certificate of Correction that was received by the Patent Office on March 29, 2004 (Exhibit A- front page only).

In response the Patent Office mailed a letter on March 9, 2005 (Exhibit B) that stated in part "alleged error(s) Changes to Claim 17 change scope of claims since 'a processor for driving...' was not in original claim 17 & adds new matter thereto."

Patent Claim 17 corresponds to application Claim 15 (Exhibit C).

Contrary to the Patent Office's assertion, application Claim 15 does have the language "a processor for driving...". Please see page 32 of the specification (Exhibit D). Please see also the Preliminary Amendment received by the Patent Office on June 2, 2002, especially pages 2 and 3 (pages 1-3 included as Exhibit E).

In view of the foregoing, reconsideration is requested. The Patent Office is authorized to charge any fees associated with this request to Deposit Account No. 19-2746.

Patentee's undersigned attorney may be reached at the telephone number listed below. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION OF PATENT FOR PTO MISTAKE (37 CFR §1.322(a))

NOTE: This Supplemental Request supercedes the Request received by the Patent Office on February 23, 2004.

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Sir:

It is noted that errors appear in this patent of a clerical, typographical or minor nature or character, as more fully described below, due to a mistake by the Patent and Trademark Office.

Attached hereto in duplicate is Form PTO-1050 with at least one copy being suitable for printing.

The exact locations where the errors occur in the patent are:

Claim 3:

Column 19, line 5, please change " $d = \sqrt{0.137\rho} \cdot f^{-0.375} B^{-0.175}$

(3)" to
$$d = \sqrt{0.137\rho} \cdot f^{-0.375} B_m^{-0.175}$$
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Re: Request for Certificate of Correction

Consideration has been given your request for the issuance of a certificate of correction for the above-identified patent under the provisions of Rule(s)1.322.

The alleged error(s) Changes to Claim 17 change scope of claims since "a processor for driving ..." was not in original claim 17 & adds new matter thereto the patent is printed in accordance with the record. In view of the foregoing, your request, in this matter(s), is hereby denied.

A certificate of correction will be issued to correct the remaining error(s) noted in your request.

Further consideration/reconsideration will be given upon receipt of a Request for Reconsideration under, under the provision of U.SC.254 or 255 (C.F.R. 1.322 or 1.323), accompanied by the appropriate response or fee of \$100, which should be directed to Decisions & Certificates of Correction Branch.

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of the stator and the magnetic core is made of a single layer or a lamination of the soft magnetic material of the plate thickness d.

- 13. The power generator according to claim 12, wherein the soft magnetic material constituting at least one of the stator and the magnetic core has a lamination structure, and the respective layers forming the lamination structure have a minimum thickness of not less than 0.05mm.
- 14. An electronic device, comprising:

 the power generator according to any one of claims 1 to 13; and
 a processor actuated by the electric energy generated by the power generator.
 - 15. An electronically controlled timepiece, comprising:

 the power generator according to any one of claims 1 to 14; and
 a processor for driving a time display by the electric energy generated by the
 power generator.
 - 16. A method of setting plate thickness in a magnetic circuit in a power generator, the power generator including a rotor having a permanent magnet, a stator and a magnetic core made of a soft magnetic material constituting the magnetic circuit and a coil wound around the magnetic core,

wherein the plate thickness d is set at a value represented by the following formula of

$$d = \sqrt{\frac{k_h}{k_e}} \rho \cdot f^{-0.375} B_m^{-0.175}$$
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where k_h represents hysteresis loss coefficient, k_e represents eddy-current loss coefficient, ρ (Ω ·m) represents resistivity, f (Hz) represents frequency and B_m (T) represents maximum amplitude magnetic flux density of the soft magnetic material.



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Washington, D.C. 20231 on this date.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Preliminary to examination please amend the above identified application as follows:

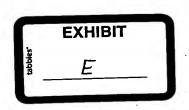
IN THE CLAIMS

Please substitute the following clean amended claims 12, 14, 15 and 23 for the pending claims with the same number. Marked-up versions of the amended claims follow the "Remarks" section of this amendment.

- 12. (Amended) The power generator according to claim 1, wherein at least one of the stator and the magnetic core is made of a single layer or a lamination of the soft magnetic material of the plate thickness d.
- 14. (Amended) An electronic device, comprising:

a power generator comprising:

a rotor having a permanent magnet;



a stator and a magnetic core of soft magnetic material constituting a magnetic circuit; and

a coil wound around the magnetic core,

wherein the plate thickness d (m) of the soft magnetic material constituting at least one of the stator and the magnetic core is set at a value represented by the following formula of

$$d = \sqrt{\frac{k_h}{k_e} \rho} \cdot f^{-0.375} B_m^{-0.175}$$
 (1)

where k_h represents hysteresis loss coefficient, k_e represents eddy-current loss coefficient, $\rho(\Omega \cdot m)$ represents resistivity, f (Hz) represents frequency and B_m (T) represents maximum amplitude magnetic flux density of the soft magnetic material; and

a processor actuated by the electric energy generated by the power generator.

15. (Amended) An electronically controlled timepiece, comprising:

a power generator comprising:

a rotor having a permanent magnet;

a stator and a magnetic core of soft magnetic material constituting a magnetic circuit; and

a coil wound around the magnetic core,

wherein the plate thickness d (m) of the soft magnetic material constituting at least one of the stator and the magnetic core is set at a value represented by the following formula of

$$d = \sqrt{\frac{k_h}{k_e}} \rho \cdot f^{-0.375} B_m^{-0.175}$$
 (1)

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where k_h represents hysteresis loss coefficient, k_e represents eddycurrent loss coefficient, $\rho(\Omega\,m)$ represents resistivity, f (Hz) represents frequency and B_m (T) represents maximum amplitude magnetic flux density of the soft magnetic material; and

a processor for driving a time display by the electric energy generated by the power generator.

23. (Amended) The method of setting plate thickness in a magnetic circuit in a power generator according to claim 21,

wherein the soft magnetic material constituting at least one of the stator and the magnetic core has a lamination structure and the respective layers forming the lamination structure have a minimum thickness of not less than 0.05mm.

Please add the following new claims 24 to 28:

- 24. (New) The power generator according to claim 6, wherein at least one of the stator and the magnetic core is made of a single layer or a lamination of the soft magnetic material of the plate thickness d.
- 25. (New) The power generator according to claim 24, wherein the soft magnetic material constituting at least one of the stator and the magnetic core has a lamination structure, and the respective layers forming the lamination structure have a minimum thickness of not less than 0.05mm.
- 26. (New) An electronic device, comprising:

a power generator comprising:

a rotor having a permanent magnet;

a stator and a magnetic core of soft magnetic material constituting a magnetic circuit; and

a coil wound around the magnetic core,

wherein the plate thickness d (m) of the soft magnetic material constituting at least one of the stator and the magnetic core is set within a plate Preliminary Amendment 3 REV 11/97 Customer No. 20178